

Lee County Courthouse
Main Street
Beattyville
Lee County
Kentucky

HABS No. KY-139

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PHOTOGRAPHS

HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

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Historic American Buildings Survey
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service
Department of the Interior
Washington, D.C. 20243

STATE Kentucky	COUNTY Lee	TOWN OR VICINITY Beattyville
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Lee County Courthouse		HABS NO. KY-139
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) Main Street		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1871-1873	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Built by Pryse, Brandenburg, and MacGuire.	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) Originally built in 1873, this structure is significant historically as a courthouse and architecturally for its massive timber roof trusses (shown in the section, sheet 2).		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Brick, with massive timber roof trusses and stone foundation.		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) See measured floor plans.		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE See measured drawings and photographs.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) See measured drawings and photographs.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES The front addition was made in 1916 by Green Kilburn. The rear addition was made in 1963.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Demolished, April 1977.		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE The structure was documented in 1977 by Donald L. Sallee (Wichman and Sallee, architect-engineers). Lexington, Kentucky and assisted by Robert Crillig (architect) Lexington, in compliance with Executive Order 11593 and a Memorandum of Agreement with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation.		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDE LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.)		
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